



City of Bellevue

# 2024 - 2025 City of Bellevue Federal Agenda

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# Direction

Discuss and consider potential adoption of a 2024-2025 Federal Agenda for federal level policy and budget advocacy

# Bellevue's Federal Agenda

- Refresh in Q2 annually
- This is our federal compass
- Used as the primary lens to assess both funding opportunities as they arise, as well as develop strategies to make progress and get results on important priorities



## City of Bellevue | 2023-2024 Federal Priorities

Celebrating its 70th year, Bellevue champions the programs, projects, and opportunities that position our city to thrive for the next 70 years and beyond. Bellevue plans today for the next evolution of our city. This federal agenda advances the City Council's vision, values, and priorities to get us there. Bellevue is the city where you want to be.

### **TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY**

Investment in mobility and transportation infrastructure is a top priority for the City and its growing residential and business community. Bellevue's mobility, land use, equity, and climate goals depend on a robust and integrated transportation network.

# Washington DC – Current Context

- Fiscal Year (FY) 24 Budget Agreements
  - Bills signed into law in March
- Bellevue Outcomes
  - Better performance in grants
  - Excellent outcomes in FY 24 earmarks
- FY 25 Process Underway
  - Bellevue submitted three earmark requests for FY 25
  - Visiting with Bellevue congressional delegation in early June



# Federal Agenda

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Key components:

- Priority issues for 2024-25
- Additional areas of federal interest
- Reference to City Council Vision & Strategic Target Areas

# Priority Issues for 2024-2025

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## Transportation and Mobility

- *Highlights:* Eastrail, Grand Connection crossing, Smart City technology

## Essential and Sustainable Infrastructure

- *Highlights:* Funding for utility infrastructure, Reducing climate pollution, Affordable internet access and connectivity

## Housing and Safety Net Programs

- *Highlights:* Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC), Resources for working families

# Timeline – Next Steps

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- Adoption of Federal Agenda
- City officials in DC June 5-6
- Appropriations process through summer and fall
- August recess visits in district
- Ongoing engagement with delegation and partners



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